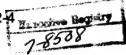
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JAN 23 1956

Dear Mr. Dulles:

You probably will be interested in the enclosed announcement of the American National Red Cross concerning the serious financial problem confronting the Red Cross as a result of the unprecedented hurricane and flood disasters in 1955. I would greatly appreciate it if the need for additional money this year to replenish the disaster reserves of the Red Cross should receive consideration in the allocation of funds to the Red Cross from the single-package welfare fund of the Central Intelligence Agency.

You will note that the disaster reserves of the Red Cross have been virtually exhausted, and that it was necessary to raise the over-all goal of the 1956 Red Cross Fund Campaign by approximately 10 per cent.

Sincerely,

DOUGLAS MCKAY Chairman, U. S. Government Unit

Honorable Allen W. Dulles Director Central Intelligence Agency Washington, D. C.